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Federal Funding Sources

Financing Childhood Obesity Prevention Programs: www.financeproject.org/Publications/obesityprevention.pdf

USDHHS, Center for Disease Control, Division of Nutrition and Physical Activity www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dpna/obesity/stet_programs/index.htm

Foundation Funding Sources

Allen Foundation http://www.allenfoundation.org/	Past grants have ranged from \$2,000 to \$1 million	Ongoing	The Allen Foundation supports educational nutrition programs, with priority given to training programs for children and young adults to improve their health and development. Eligibility: Schools and school districts should partner with local nonprofits to form nutrition education programs.
Bowerman Track Renovation Program http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page= 26&item=bowerman	\$50,000	Continual	Sports equipment manufacturer Nike offers the Bowerman Track Renovation Program to provide matching cash grants to community- based, youth-oriented organizations that seek to refurbish or construct running tracks.
Captain Planet Foundation http://www.captainplanetfdn.org/grants.html	\$2500	June 30, September 30, and December 31	The Captain Planet Foundation funds hands-on environmental projects to encourage youth around the world to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. Eligibility: Schools and non-profits.

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CVS Pharmacy Community http://www.cvs.com/corpInfo/ community/community_grants.html	Varies	June 15 Annually	The CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust is interested in public schools that are expanding programs promoting inclusion of children with physical disabilities in all aspects of school functions, including: Student Academic Activities; Extracurricular Programs; Physical Activity/Play. Eligibility: Public schools Grades Pre-K through 12.
Frank Stanley Beveridge Foundation http://www.beveridge.org/ GrantFunding.aspx	Varies	2/1/07, 8/1/07	Makes charitable contributions in many interest areas, including: animal welfare, the arts, civil rights, education, the environment, nutrition and health, safety, recreation, science research and youth development.
FundingFactory http://www.fundingfactory.com/	Awards Vary	Ongoing	FundingFactory helps schools and nonprofit organizations Unlock the Power to fundraising success. The nation's largest free recycling fundraising program, FundingFactory offers FREE technology, sports & recreation equipment, playground systems and even cash in exchange for empty inkjet & laser cartridges and used cell phones.
General Mills Champions Youth Nutrition and Fitness http://www.generalmills.com/corporate/commitment/champions.aspx	\$10,000	2/1/07	Grants to community groups for programs that improve the health and fitness of youths.
The McKenzie Foundation Inc. http://www.mckenziefoundation.us	Varies	Varies	The board of directors has selected four areas of interest that will shape the foundation's awards in the next few years: early childhood development, education, the environment, and arts and culture.
Nickelodeon "Let's Just Play" http://www.nick.com/all_nick/ everything_nick/ljp_home07.jhtml	\$5,000	until May 31, 2006	The "Let's Just Play" Giveaway offers kids around the United States the opportunity to take action and enter for a chance to win \$5,000 to improve their school or community program's fitness resources.

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Organic School Garden http://www.kidsregen.org/gardens/index.shtml	Varies	10/31/06	School gardens that use organic methods are eligible to enter the Organic School Garden Awards program.
Packing with PEAK http://www.lnt.org/programs/peak/ PackingwithPEAKFund.htm	Materials	Open	The two offer a fund to help provide PEAK packs six fun, engaging, field-tested, standard-aligned outdoor learning activities for kids ages 6-12 to needy organizations.
School and Youth Garden http://www.kidsgardening.com/grants.asp	Varies	11/01/06	The National Gardening Association and Home Depot Youth Garden Grant Program is awarding funds for child-centered plans that emphasize youth learning and working in an outdoor garden.